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WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

June 4, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:
AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT TO OBTAIN AND MANAGE FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
PROVIDED BY THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
(ALL AFFECTED) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Chief Executive Office, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is requesting authorization to obtain and manage the 2008 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program (EMPG). OEM is eligible to apply for this grant on behalf of the Los Angeles County Operational Area. Funds provided under the EMPG are used to support activities that contribute to the County's capability to prevent, prepare for, mitigate against, respond to, and recover from emergencies and disasters, whether natural or man-made.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Executive Office, OEM to obtain and manage Federal financial assistance provided by the Federal Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California to enhance the ability to prevent, deter, respond to, and recover from emergencies and disasters whether natural or man-made.
2. Adopt the attached signature resolution which authorizes OEM to execute, on behalf of the County, any actions necessary to obtain this Federal financial assistance.

Board of Supervisors
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First District

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The County of Los Angeles receives funding from fiscal year (FY) 2008 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Appropriations Act Public Law 109-295. The FY 2008 EMPG provides resources to assist State, County, and local governments in moving forward with an all hazards planning approach to emergency management.

DHS dispenses funds to the State, who then provides financial assistance to the County to support comprehensive emergency management at the local level and to encourage the improvement of mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery capabilities for all hazards. Funds provided under the EMPG are used to support activities that contribute to the County's capability to prevent, prepare for, mitigate against, respond to and recover from emergencies and disasters whether natural or man-made.

The EMPG has a cost-share requirement which is met through an in-kind labor match.

The EMPG provides an opportunity to achieve greater integration of emergency management systems. Program activities for the Los Angeles County Operational Area (OA) include the following:

- Formally adopting National Incident Management System (NIMS) in a manner consistent with Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS).
- Completing National Incident Management System Compliance Assistance Support Tool baseline assessment/implementation plan.
- Developing and enhancing a public information system consistent with NIMS.
- Inclusion of private sector, non-governmental, and volunteer organizations in all phases of emergency management.
- Developing communications and data interoperability standards.
- Inventory assets to conform to homeland security resource typing standards.
- Conducting at least one OA Council meeting annually.
- Participating in Mutual Aid Regional Advisory Committee and SEMS Specialist Committee meetings.
- Establishing a regular Emergency Operation Plan review cycle and maintenance plan.
- Participating in SEMS/NIMS training and implement an all-hazards, progressive exercise program.
- Establishing or enhancing duty officer systems and procedures.
- Developing after action reports that incorporate corrective actions.

EMPG requires the County to submit grant documents including, but not limited to, an application, grant assurances, reimbursement requests, performance reports, Governing Body Resolution, and sub-grantee agreements.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Goal 1: Service Excellence, Strategy 2 – Implement programs to improve the efficiency, quality, and responsiveness of County services to all residents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This grant is fully funded by the Department of Homeland Security through the State's Office of Emergency Services. The 2008 EMPG requires a 50/50 match which will be met through in-kind personnel costs.

In 2008, Los Angeles County is eligible to receive \$1,303,508 of which \$869,443 is passed-through to Disaster Management Areas and \$434,065 is retained by OEM to support preparedness activities.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Homeland Security, through the State's Office of Emergency Services, has provided the Los Angeles County OA with specific guidelines for the administration and management of this grant. These guidelines detail the activities and expenditures that are allowable.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Approving the recommended actions will have no environmental impact.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

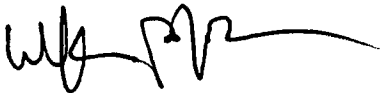
This grant will provide funding to the OA for planning, training, and exercises. The EMPG will assist the County and the DMAC to plan and be better prepared for all hazards and disasters.

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CONCLUSION

Upon execution by the Board of Supervisors, please send an adopted copy of this action to OEM for processing.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'WTF', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

WTF:SRH:RDC
MJB:JOD:jl

Attachment

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller
Office of Emergency Management

Governing Body Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Supervisors *OF THE* County of Los Angeles *THAT*

Deputy Chief Executive Officer , *OR*

Administrator, Office of Emergency Management , *OR*

Assistant Administrator, Office of Emergency Management ,

is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the named applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the federal Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California.

Passed and approved this 4th day of June, 2008

Certification

I, Yvonne B. Burke , duly appointed and
(Name)

Chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
(Title) (Governing Body)

do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by
the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles on the
(Governing body) (Name of Applicant)

Fourth day of June , 20 08 .



Chair, Board of Supervisors
(Official Position)

Yvonne B. Burke
(Signature)

June 4, 2008
(Date)

ATTEST: SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By [Signature] , Deputy